Highlights for FY2005

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Summary of FY2005

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FY2006 Forecast



Summary of FY2005



FY2005 Financial Overview

FY2005: A year of proactive investment for future growth

	<u>Year-on-year</u>		Excluding Kanebo Cosmetics related impact	
\diamond Net sales:	¥971.2 billion	+3.7%	¥971.2 billion	<u>Year-on-year</u> +3.7%
♦ Operating income:	¥120.1 billion	-1.0%	¥122.9 billion	+1.3%
♦ Ordinary income:	¥121.9 billion	-2.7%	¥125.0 billion	-0.2%
♦ Net income:	¥71.1 billion	-1.4%	¥72.9 billion	+1.1%
♦ EBITDA:	¥180.8 billion	+1.5%	¥181.0 billion	+1.6%
♦ ROE:	14.9%	-16.0 bps		
Net income per share:	¥130.58	-0.4%		

- ♦ Shareholder returns:
 - Cash dividends per share: ¥50 (+12 yen year-on-year, payout ratio 38.3%)
 - Share repurchases: ¥5.0 billion or 2.0 million shares



Growth Strategies



Growth Strategies

Profitable growth driven by high-value-added products

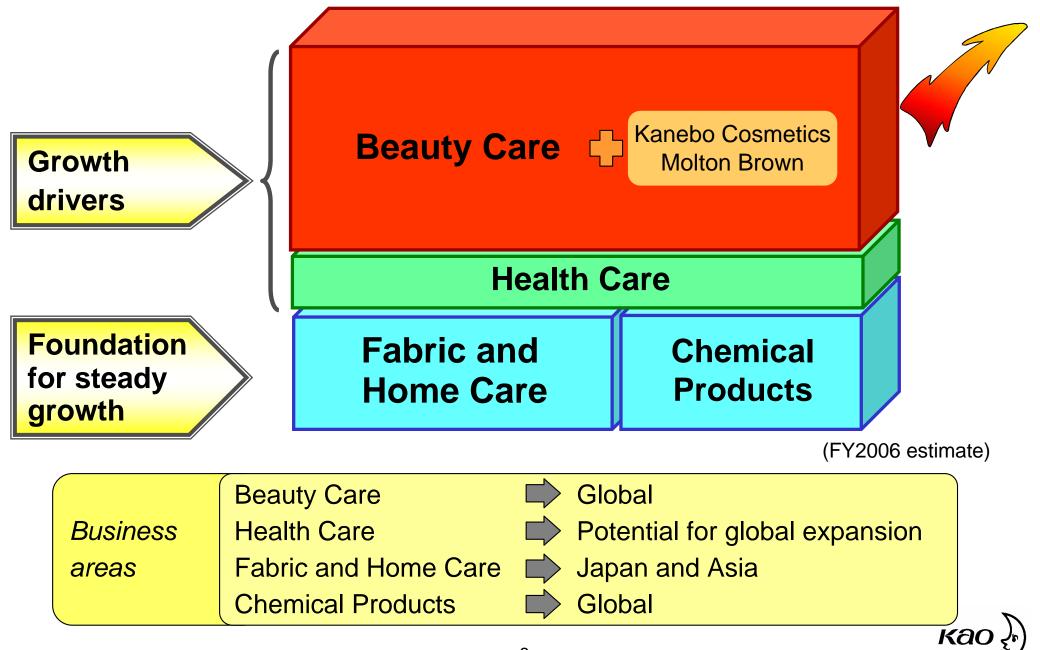
Accelerate growth in the business areas of Beauty Care and Health Care*

- Further strengthen and develop Fabric and Home Care, a core business
- Further enhance the Chemical Products business globally and locally with distinctive products that meet customer needs

*The scope of "Health Care" does not include pharmaceuticals.



Growth Strategies



Globalization of Beauty Care

We strive for the wholehearted satisfaction of consumers globally through our brands with concepts that respond to diverse values regarding beauty.

	Japan	North America and Europe	Asia
Professional Hair Care	K PSS	K PSS	$\mathbf{K} \mathbf{P} \mathbf{S} \mathbf{S}$
Counseling & Self-Selection Cosmetics	SCEINA Kanebo FEEL YOUR BEAUTY	MOLTON BROWN LGNDON Kanebo Feel your beauty	SCFINA Kanebo FEEL YOUR BEAUTY
Premium Personal Care	花王	Kao Brands	花王 J

Major Cosmetics Brands in Japan

		Department stores	Drugstores and GMS	Specialty stores
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Self-Selection	Mass		Kanebo FEEL YOUR BEAUTY	Kanebo FEEL YOUR BEAUTY

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How to Generate Synergy in the Cosmetics Business

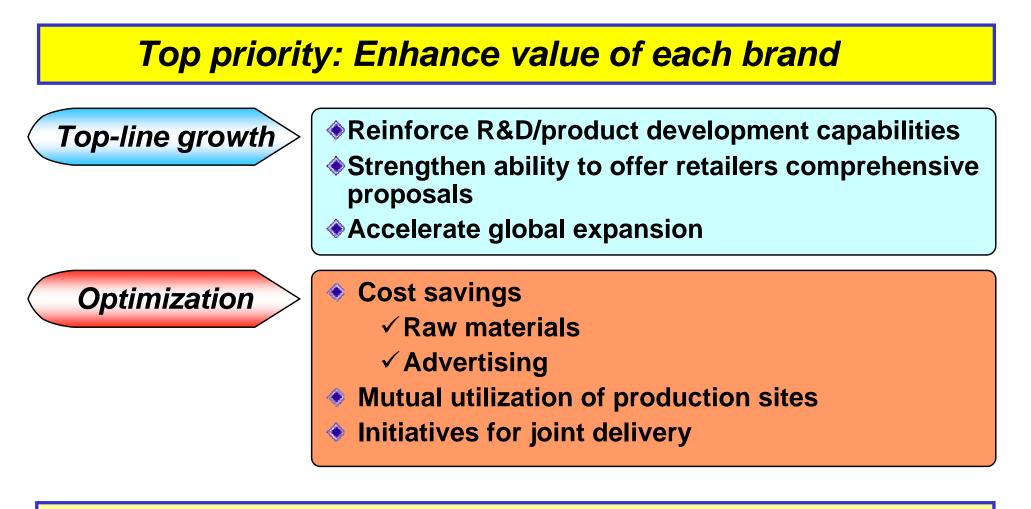
Top priority: Enhance value of each brand

Nine synergy committees

	IT	Accounting and Finance	Personnel and Administration
R&D			
Marketing			
Sales			
International operations			
Production/procurement			
Logistics			

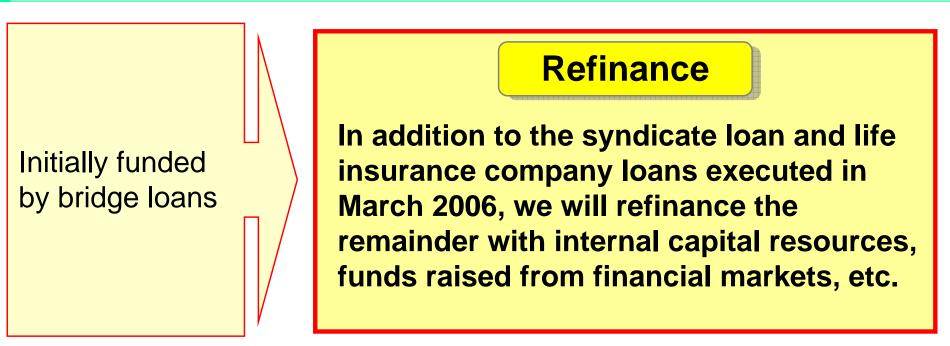


Generating Synergy in the Cosmetics Business in FY2006



FY2006 forecasts	- Net Sales: ¥ 290 billion
	Approximately 25% of Consolidated Net Sales
	- EBITA: Approximately 10%

Funds for the Kanebo Cosmetics Acquisition and Our Financial Policy



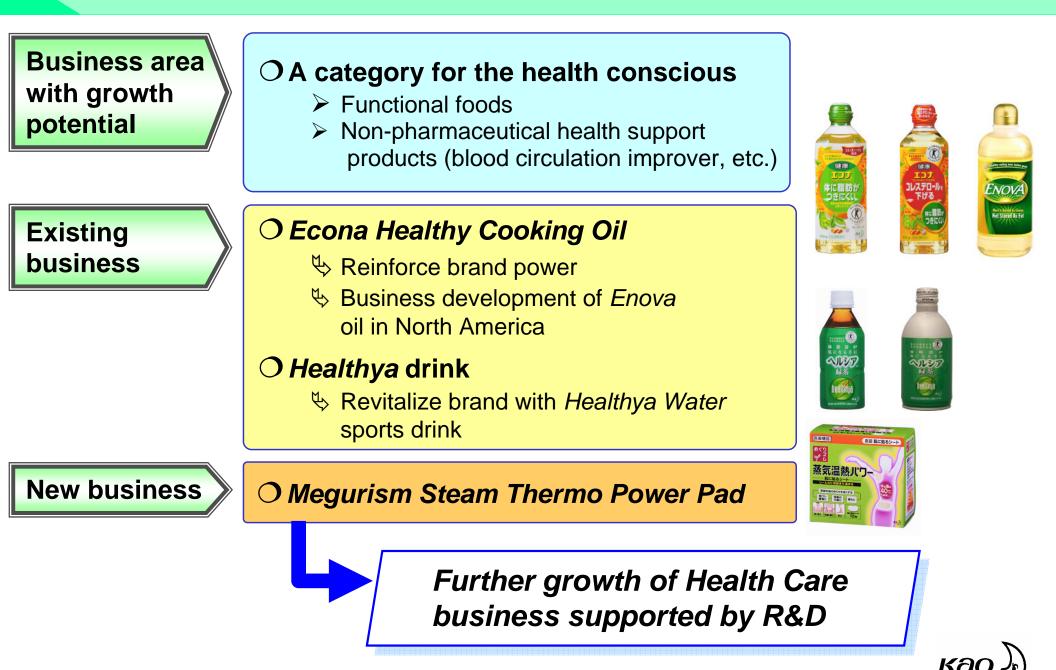
Use of Cash Flow

For future growth
1) Capital expenditures
2) M&A

O Share repurchase as part of shareholder returns



Expansion of Health Care Business



Toward Accomplishment of Growth Strategies

Work Process Innovations

- Build a system to create high-value-added products
 - Develop new marketing and product development technique (Balance between functional value and emotional value)
- O Establish a global management system
 - An innovative management system that clearly defines the roles of operations in Japan and in other countries
 - Integration of business operations in Asia, including Japan
 - Section Supply Chain Project

Reinforcement of R&D

 Matrix management between product development research and fundamental research



Integration of Business Operations in Asia, Including Japan

Case Study: Rollout of *Asience* hair care line in Taiwan and Hong Kong





Product development

Sales and marketing

 Brand design that took business development in Asian region into consideration from the beginning

- O Build a win-win relation with retailers
- Collaboration among local subsidiaries and Japan in marketing
 - 🏷 Japan: Master planning
 - Local subsidiaries: Consumer acceptance studies and advertising/sales planning



FY2006 Forecast



FY2006 Forecast

Generate greater cash flow to fuel growth

	<u>Year-on-year</u>		Excluding Kanebo Cosmetics related impact Year-on-year	
♦ Net sales:	¥1,210.0 billion	+24.6%	¥1,010.0 billion	
♦ Operating income:	¥120.0 billion	-0.1%	¥125.0 billion	+1.7%
♦ Ordinary income:	¥118.0 billion	-3.2%	¥126.0 billion	+0.8%
♦ Net income:	¥72.0 billion	+1.2%	¥73.5 billion	+0.7%
\diamond EBITDA:	¥207.0 billion	+14.4%	¥185.0 billion	+2.2%
♦ ROE:	13.5%	-14.0 bps		
Net income per share:	¥132.12	+1.2%		
♦ Shareholder returns	3.			

- ♦ Shareholder returns:
 - Cash dividends per share: ¥52
 (+2 yen year-on-year, payout ratio 39.4%)

